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CHAPTER 3
STANDARD FORMS OF PLEADINGS FOR SMALL CLAIMS ACTIONS
 [Pursuant to Iowa Code section 631.15]

Form 3.1: Original Notice and Petition for a Money Judgment.

In the Iowa District Court for _____ County	
Plaintiff(s) <hr/> (Name) <hr/> (Address) <hr/> (Name) <hr/> (Address) <div style="text-align: center;">vs.</div> Defendant(s) <hr/> (Name) <hr/> (Address) <hr/> (Name) <hr/> (Address)	<p style="text-align: center;">Original Notice and Petition for a Money Judgment</p> <p style="font-size: small;">If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.</p>

To Defendant(s):

1. **You are notified** that Plaintiff(s) demand(s) from you the amount of \$ _____ plus court costs based on (state briefly the basis for the demand, not to exceed \$6500):

2. **Judgment may be entered against you unless** you file an Appearance and Answer within **20 days** of the service of the Original Notice upon you. Judgment may include the amount requested plus interest and court costs.

3. You must electronically file the Appearance and Answer using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile>, unless you obtain from the court an exemption from electronic filing requirements.

4. If your Appearance and Answer is filed within **20 days** and you deny the claim, you will receive electronic notification through EDMS of the place and time of the hearing on this matter.

5. If you electronically file, EDMS will serve a copy of the Appearance and Answer on Plaintiff(s) or on the attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s). The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if Plaintiff(s) is (are) exempt from electronic filing, and if you must mail a copy of your Appearance and Answer to Plaintiff(s).

6. You must also notify the clerk's office of any address change.

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Original Notice and Petition for a Money Judgment (*cont'd*)

/s/ _____
Filing Plaintiff or Attorney

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Telephone number

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

/s/ _____
Second Plaintiff, if applicable

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Telephone number

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.2: Original Notice and Petition for a Money Judgment for Taxes Owning.

In the Iowa District Court for _____ County	
Plaintiff _____ (Name) _____ (Address)	<p>Original Notice and Petition for a Money Judgment for Taxes Owning (Iowa Code sections 631.1(7) and 445.3)</p>
VS.	
Defendant(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Address) _____ (Name) _____ (Address)	<p style="font-size: small;">If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.</p>

To Defendant(s):

1. **You are notified** that Plaintiff, _____ County Treasurer, demands from you the amount of \$ _____ for taxes due and owing based on the following:

2. **Judgment may be entered against you unless** you file an Appearance and Answer within **20 days** of the service of the Original Notice upon you. Judgment may include the amount requested plus interest and court costs.

3. You must electronically file the Appearance and Answer using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile>, unless you obtain from the court an exemption from electronic filing requirements.

4. If your Appearance and Answer is filed within 20 days, and you deny the claim, you will receive electronic notification through EDMS of the place and time of the hearing on this matter.

5. If you electronically file, EDMS will serve a copy of the Appearance and Answer on Plaintiff(s) or on the attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s). The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if Plaintiff(s) is (are) exempt from electronic filing, and if you must mail a copy of your Appearance and Answer to Plaintiff(s).

6. You must also notify the clerk's office of any address change.

/s/ _____
 Filing Plaintiff Treasurer or Designee

 Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

 Mailing address

 Phone number

 Email address

 Additional email address, if applicable

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Original Notice and Petition for Money Judgment against a Nonresident Motor Vehicle Owner or Operator Defendant (*cont'd*)

/s/ _____
Filing Plaintiff or Attorney

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Telephone number

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

/s/ _____
Second Plaintiff, if applicable

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Telephone number

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.4: Original Notice and Petition for a Money Judgment against a Nonresident Defendant or a Foreign Corporation Defendant.

In the Iowa District Court for _____ County	
Plaintiff(s) <hr/> (Name) <hr/> (Address) <hr/> (Name) <hr/> (Address)	<p>Original Notice and Petition for a Money Judgment against a Nonresident Defendant or a Foreign Corporation Defendant</p>
Defendant(s) vs. <hr/> (Name) <hr/> (Address) <hr/> (Name) <hr/> (Address)	<p style="font-size: small;">If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.</p>

To Defendant(s):

1. **You are notified** that Plaintiff(s) demand(s) from you the amount of \$ _____ plus court costs based on (state briefly the basis for the demand, not to exceed \$6500):

2. **Judgment may be entered against you unless** you file an Appearance and Answer as follows:
 - If you received service of this Original Notice **by mail** along with service upon the Secretary of State, you must file your Appearance and Answer within **60 days of the filing** of the Original Notice with the Secretary of State.
 - If you received service of this Original Notice in a manner **other than by mail**, you must file your Appearance and Answer within **60 days after the date you received** the Original Notice.
3. You must electronically file the Appearance and Answer using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile>, unless you obtain from the court an exemption from electronic filing requirements.
4. If your Appearance and Answer is timely filed and you deny the claim, you will receive electronic notification through EDMS of the time and place for the hearing on this matter.
5. If you electronically file, EDMS will serve a copy of the Appearance and Answer on Plaintiff(s) or on the attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s). The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if Plaintiff(s) is (are) exempt from electronic filing, and if you must mail a copy of your Appearance and Answer to Plaintiff(s).
6. You must also notify the clerk's office of any address change.

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Original Notice and Petition for a Money Judgment against a Nonresident Defendant or a Foreign Corporation Defendant (*cont'd*)

/s/ _____
Filing Plaintiff or Attorney

/s/ _____
Second Plaintiff, if applicable

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Mailing address

Telephone number

Telephone number

Email address

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.5: Original Notice and Petition for Replevin.

In the Iowa District Court for _____ County	
Plaintiff(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Address) _____ (Name) _____ (Address)	Original Notice and Petition for Replevin (Iowa Code chapter 643)
vs.	
Defendant(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Address) _____ (Name) _____ (Address)	<small>If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.</small>

To Defendant(s):

1. **You are notified** that Plaintiff(s) demand(s) relief (not to exceed \$6500 in total) from you in regard to the following described property:

2. The value of the property described is (value may not exceed \$6500): \$ _____

3. The relief requested includes (check all that apply):

- Plaintiff(s) ask(s) for possession of the property.
- Plaintiff(s) ask(s) for damages for unlawful retention.
- Plaintiff(s) ask(s) for damages for any damage to the property.
- Plaintiff(s) ask(s) for damages for:

(If asking for money damages, total amount including value of property cannot exceed \$6500.)

4. Plaintiff(s) claim(s) immediate possession because (check only one):

- Plaintiff(s) own(s) the property.
- Plaintiff(s) has (have) a security agreement for the property.
 - i. A copy of the security agreement is attached.
 - ii. The agreement shows that Plaintiff(s) is(are) entitled to seize possession on default.
 - iii. Defendant(s) are in default because:

Other:

Original Notice and Petition for Replevin (cont'd)

5. The property (check only one):

- Is not in the possession of Defendant(s) pursuant to court order or judgment; or
- Was taken by Defendant(s) under court order or judgment, but the property is exempt from seizure because: _____.

6. **Judgment may be entered against you unless** you file an Appearance and Answer within **20 days** of the service of the Original Notice upon you. Judgment may include the amount requested plus interest and court costs.

7. You must electronically file the Appearance and Answer using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile>, unless you obtain from the court an exemption from electronic filing requirements.

8. If your Appearance and Answer is filed within **20 days** and you deny the claim, you will receive electronic notification through EDMS of the time and place for the hearing on this matter.

9. If you electronically file, EDMS will serve a copy of the Appearance and Answer on Plaintiff(s) or on the attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s). The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if Plaintiff(s) is (are) exempt from electronic filing, and if you must mail a copy of your Appearance and Answer to Plaintiff(s).

10. You must also notify the clerk's office of any address change.

I (We) certify under penalty of perjury and pursuant to the laws of the State of Iowa that the preceding is true and correct.

Date: _____

Date: _____

Plaintiff's signature

Plaintiff's signature

/s/ _____
Filing Plaintiff or Attorney

/s/ _____
Second Plaintiff, if applicable

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Mailing address

Telephone number

Telephone number

Email address

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.6: Original Notice and Petition for Forcible Entry and Detainer.

In the Iowa District Court for _____ County	
Plaintiff(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Address) _____ (Name) _____ (Address) <div style="text-align: center;">vs.</div> Defendant(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Address) _____ (Name) _____ (Address)	<p>Original Notice and Petition for Forcible Entry and Detainer (Iowa Code chapter 648)</p> <p style="font-size: small;">If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.</p>

To Defendant(s):

1. You are notified that Plaintiff(s) demand(s) from you possession of (state exact address of real property): _____
because (state basis of demand): _____

2. Hearing is set for the date, time, and court location listed on the last page of this Original Notice and Petition. The court will electronically record the hearing. If either party desires that a certified court reporter report the hearing, that party must arrange and pay for the costs of reporting. **Failure to appear at the hearing may result in judgment entered against you for possession of the property and court costs.**

Plaintiff(s): The court shall set the date of hearing to occur within **8 days** from the filing date of the Original Notice unless you check the box below:

Plaintiff(s) request(s) or consent(s) to the court setting the date of hearing to occur no later than **15 days** from the filing of the Original Notice.

/s/ _____
Filing Plaintiff or Attorney

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Telephone number

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

/s/ _____
Second Plaintiff, if applicable

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Telephone number

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

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Original Notice and Petition against Third Party Defendant(s) (*cont'd*)

/s/ _____
Filing Third Party or Attorney

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Telephone number

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

/s/ _____
Second Third Party, if applicable

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Telephone number

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.8: Original Notice and Petition for Disposition of Abandoned Property.

Small Claims Form 3.8: Original Notice and Petition for Disposition of Abandoned Property

In the Iowa District Court for _____ County	
Plaintiff(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Address) _____ (Name) _____ (Address) _____ (Name) _____ (Address)	<p>Original Notice and Petition for Disposition of Abandoned Property (Iowa Code chapter 555B) (Mobile Home and Personal Property in the Vicinity)</p>
vs.	
Defendant(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Address) _____ (Name) _____ (Address)	If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.

To Defendant(s):

1. Plaintiff(s) demand(s) a judgment of abandonment for (state the exact nature of abandoned property):

 because (state basis of demand):

2. In support of this demand Plaintiff(s) state(s):
- Plaintiff(s) has (have) not requested notice by the sheriff as provided for in Iowa Code section 555B.2;
 - The property is located in the above county; and
 - There is no lien against the property other than a tax lien pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 435.

3. **Hearing is set for** the date, time, and court location listed on the last page of this Original Notice and Petition. The court will electronically record the hearing. Any party desiring that a certified court reporter report the hearing must arrange and pay for the costs of reporting. **Failure to appear at the hearing may result in judgment entered against you for statutory damages, interest, and court costs, and the property will be disposed of as abandoned property.**

Note: Service must be made on the owner of the property at least **10 days** before the hearing and the hearing must be set within **14 days** of filing the Petition.

/s/ _____
 Filing Plaintiff or Attorney

 Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

 Mailing address

 Telephone number

 Email address

 Additional email address, if applicable

/s/ _____
 Second Plaintiff, if necessary

 Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

 Mailing address

 Telephone number

 Email address

 Additional email address, if applicable

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Original Notice and Petition for Intervention (*cont'd*)

/s/ _____
Filing Intervenor or Attorney

/s/ _____
Second Intervenor, if applicable

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Mailing address

Telephone number

Telephone number

Email address

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.10 Reserved.**Form 3.11: Appearance and Answer of Defendant(s).**Small Claims Form 3.11: *Appearance and Answer of Defendant(s)*

In the Iowa District Court for _____ County	
Plaintiff(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name) <div style="text-align: center;">vs.</div> Defendant(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name)	<div style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.2em;">Appearance and Answer of Defendant(s)</div> Small Claim No. _____ <small>If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.</small>

Check **only one** of the following:

- The **claim is denied**. Parties will receive electronic notification of the hearing time and place through the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS).
- The **claim is admitted**. Judgment may be entered.
- The **claim is admitted in part in the amount** of \$ _____. Parties will receive electronic notification of the hearing time and place through the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS).

1. You must electronically file this Appearance and Answer using EDMS at <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile> unless you obtain from the court an exemption from electronic filing requirements.
2. If you electronically file, EDMS will serve a copy of this Appearance and Answer on Plaintiff(s) or on the attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s). The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if Plaintiff(s) is (are) exempt from electronic filing, and if you must mail a copy of your Appearance and Answer to Plaintiff(s).
3. You may download this form online at <https://iowacourts.state.ia.us/Efile>. Unless the court has granted you an exemption from electronic filing, you must scan and electronically file this Answer and Appearance form, or fill out and electronically file the online form, in accordance with Chapter 16 Rules Pertaining to the Use of the Electronic Document Management System.

/s/ _____
Filing Defendant or Attorney/s/ _____
Second Defendant, if applicable_____
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable_____
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable_____
Mailing address_____
Mailing address_____
Telephone number_____
Telephone number_____
Email address_____
Email address_____
Additional email address, if applicable_____
Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.12: Appearance and Answer of Third Party Defendant(s).

In the Iowa District Court for _____	County _____
Plaintiff(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name) <p style="text-align: center;">vs.</p> Defendant(s)/Third Party Plaintiff(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name) <p style="text-align: center;">vs.</p> Third Party Defendant(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Address) _____ (Name) _____ (Address)	<p style="text-align: center;">Appearance and Answer of Third Party Defendant(s)</p> Small Claim No. _____ <small>If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.</small>

Check **only one** of the following:

- The **claim is denied**. Parties will receive electronic notification through the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) of the hearing time and place.
- The **claim is admitted**. Judgment may be entered.
- The **claim is admitted in part in the amount** of \$_____. Parties will receive electronic notification through the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) of the hearing time and place.

1. You must electronically file this Appearance and Answer using EDMS at <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile> unless you obtain from the court an exemption from electronic filing requirements.
2. If you electronically file, EDMS will serve a copy of this Appearance and Answer on Plaintiff(s) or on the attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s). The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if Plaintiff(s) is (are) exempt from electronic filing, and if you must mail a copy of your Appearance and Answer to Plaintiff(s).
3. You may download this form online at <https://iowacourts.state.ia.us/Efile>. Unless the court has granted you an exemption from electronic filing, you must scan and electronically file this Answer and Appearance form, or fill out and electronically file the online form, in accordance with Chapter 16 Rules Pertaining to the Use of the Electronic Document Management System.

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Appearance and Answer of Third Party Defendant(s) (*cont'd*)

/s/ _____
Filing Third Party or Attorney

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Telephone number

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

/s/ _____
Second Third Party, if applicable

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Telephone number

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.13: Counterclaim against Plaintiff(s).

In the Iowa District Court for _____ County	
Plaintiff(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name) vs. Defendant(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name)	<p style="text-align: center; margin: 0;">Counterclaim against Plaintiff(s)</p> Small Claim No. _____ If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.

To Plaintiff(s): _____
 (List name(s) of Plaintiff(s) against whom you are counterclaiming.)

1. You are notified that Defendant(s) identified below demand(s) from you the amount of \$ _____ because (state briefly the basis for the demand, not to exceed \$6500):

2. Defendant(s) must electronically file this original Counterclaim with the clerk of court using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile>, unless the court has granted Defendant(s) an exemption from electronic filing requirements.

3. EDMS will serve a copy of the Counterclaim on Plaintiff(s) or on the attorney(s) for Plaintiff(s). If Plaintiff(s) is (are) exempt from electronic filing, the clerk of court will provide a copy to Plaintiff(s) or Plaintiff(s) attorney(s).

/s/ _____
 Filing Defendant or Attorney

 Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

 Mailing address

 Telephone number

 Email address

 Additional email address, if applicable

/s/ _____
 Second Defendant, if applicable

 Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

 Mailing address

 Telephone number

 Email address

 Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.14: Cross-Claim against a Co-Defendant.

In the Iowa District Court for _____ County	
Plaintiff(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name) vs. Defendant(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name)	<p style="text-align: center; font-weight: bold; margin-top: 0;">Cross-Claim against a Co-Defendant</p> Small Claim No. _____ If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.

1. You are notified that the Cross-Claimant(s) identified below demand(s) from

 (List name(s) of party(ies) against whom the demand is made.)

the amount of \$ _____ because (state briefly the basis for the demand, not to exceed \$6500):

2. Cross-Claimant(s) must electronically file this original Cross-Claim with the clerk of court using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile>, unless the court has granted Cross-Claimant(s) an exemption from electronic filing requirements.

3. If you electronically file, EDMS will serve a copy of the Cross-Claim on the other party(ies) or on the attorney(s) for the other party(ies). If the other party(ies) is (are) exempt from electronic filing, the clerk of court will provide a copy to the other party(ies).

/s/ _____
 Filing Cross-Claimant or Attorney

 Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

 Mailing address

 Telephone number

 Email address

 Additional email address, if applicable

/s/ _____
 Second Cross-Claimant, if applicable

 Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

 Mailing address

 Telephone number

 Email address

 Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.15 Reserved.
Form 3.16: *Affidavit of Default.*

In the Iowa District Court for _____ County

Plaintiff(s)
_____ (Name)
_____ (Address)
_____ (Name)
_____ (Address)
vs.
Defendant(s)
_____ (Name)
_____ (Address)
_____ (Name)
_____ (Address)

Affidavit of Default
(Failure to Comply with Payment Plan)

Small Claim No. _____

1. The court entered judgment on the _____ day of _____, 20____, in the amount of \$ _____ plus court costs in the amount of \$ _____.
2. The court further ordered that the judgment debtor(s) could satisfy the judgment by an installment payment plan of \$ _____ per _____ beginning on the _____ day of _____, 20____.
3. The judgment debtor(s) has (have) failed to make installment payments as ordered.

I certify under penalty of perjury and pursuant to the laws of the State of Iowa that the preceding is true and correct.

Date: _____

Signature of Affiant

/s/ _____
Filing Judgment Creditor or Attorney

Law firm, for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Phone number

Email address

Additional Email address, if applicable

Form 3.17: Application to Condemn Funds.

In the Iowa District Court for _____	County _____
Plaintiff(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name) vs. Defendant(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name)	<p style="text-align: center;">Application to Condemn Funds</p> Small Claim No. _____

The undersigned states as follows:

1. An Execution was issued based on the judgment entered in this case.
2. A Garnishment was served and the garnishee has either answered that after allowing all exemptions money is owed to Defendant(s) named above, or turned over the funds pursuant to Iowa Code sections 642.10 and 642.13.
3. The Notice of Garnishment required by Iowa Code section 642.14 was served on Defendant(s) named above.
4. A copy of that Notice with proof of service on Defendant(s) is on file.
5. More than **10 days** have passed since the Notice of Garnishment was served.
6. No motion, Answer, Affidavit of Exemption, or other pleading has been filed to contest the Garnishment.

Based on the foregoing, Plaintiff(s) request(s) the court issue an order condemning the garnished funds.

/s/ _____
 Filing Plaintiff or Attorney

/s/ _____
 Second Plaintiff, if applicable

 Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

 Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

 Mailing address

 Mailing address

 Telephone number

 Telephone number

 Email address

 Email address

 Additional email address, if applicable

 Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.18: Dismissal.

In the Iowa District Court for _____	County _____
Plaintiff(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name) vs. Defendant(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name)	<p>Dismissal</p> <p>Small Claim No. _____</p>

By this filing, I (we) dismiss my (our) claim(s) (check **only one** of the following):

- With prejudice** (I (we) cannot refile the claim(s)).
- Without prejudice** (I (we) may refile the claim(s)).

/s/ _____
 Filing Plaintiff or Attorney

 Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

 Mailing address

 Telephone number

 Email address

 Additional email address, if applicable

/s/ _____
 Second Plaintiff, if applicable

 Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

 Mailing address

 Telephone number

 Email address

 Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.19: Notice of Garnishment.

In the Iowa District Court for _____	County _____
Plaintiff(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name) vs. Defendant(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name)	<p style="text-align: center;">Notice of Garnishment</p> Small Claim No. _____ If you need assistance to participate in court due to a disability, call the disability coordinator (information at https://www.iowacourts.gov/for-the-public/ada/). Persons who are hearing or speech impaired may call Relay Iowa TTY (1-800-735-2942). Disability coordinators cannot provide legal advice.

1. **You are notified** that a Garnishment was issued based on a judgment against you and the Garnishment was served on _____, who has admitted to be in possession of your property or is indebted to you.
2. **You are further notified** that to contest the Garnishment you must file a Motion to Quash, an Answer, an Affidavit of Exemption, or other appropriate pleading within **10 days** from the date this Notice was served on you. Your motion, Answer, or pleading must explain why you think these funds are exempt from execution under state or federal law. Some examples of exempt funds may include social security benefits, public assistance, county assistance, veteran's benefits, and unemployment compensation. These are examples only and not intended as a complete list. If you do not contest the Garnishment, a court order will be entered condemning the funds and the funds will be applied against the judgment.
3. Any Motion to Quash, Answer, Affidavit of Exemption, or other pleading that you file to contest the Garnishment must be electronically filed using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile> unless you obtain an exemption from electronic filing requirements from the court.
4. If you file to contest the Garnishment, the court may set a prompt hearing, in which case you will receive electronic notification of the hearing through EDMS. If the court sets a hearing, you should be ready to explain to the judge why you believe your property is exempt from the Garnishment.
5. Iowa Code section 642.14 requires that you be told the exact language of Iowa Code section 630.3A. That section reads:
 At any time after the rendition of judgment the court, upon application of the judgment creditor or the judgment debtor and upon notice to the adverse party as the court shall direct, shall conduct a hearing to determine the reasonably expected annual earnings of the judgment debtor for the current calendar year and the applicable limitation upon garnishment as provide in Section 642.21. The court shall also consider in the interest of justice whether a greater amount than provided in Section 642.21 shall be exempt from garnishment. In making the determination, the court shall consider the age, number and circumstances of the dependents of the debtor, existing federal poverty level guidelines, the debtor's maintenance and support needs, the debtor's other financial obligations, and any other relevant information. An order reducing the garnishment may be modified or vacated upon the application of a party to the court, notice to the adverse party, and a showing at a hearing of changed circumstances. An additional filing fee shall not be assessed for proceedings under this section.

You may wish to consult a lawyer for advice as to the meaning of this notice.

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Notice of Garnishment (*cont'd*)

/s/ _____
Filing Judgment Creditor or Attorney

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Telephone number

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

/s/ _____
Second Judgment Creditor, if applicable

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Telephone number

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

Form 3.20: Motion to Quash Garnishment and Request for Hearing.

In the Iowa District Court for _____ County	
Plaintiff(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name) vs. Defendant(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name)	Motion to Quash Garnishment and Request for Hearing Small Claims No. _____

1. This Garnishment represents a hardship because:

2. The funds are exempt because:

3. I (we) request a hearing on this Motion to Quash Garnishment.

Note: Defendant(s) must electronically file this original Motion to Quash using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile>, unless Defendant(s) receive(s) an exemption from electronic filing requirements from the court. EDMS will serve a copy of this Motion to Quash on the other party(ies) or on the attorney(s) for the other parties. The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if Defendant(s) must mail a copy of this Motion to Quash to any party(ies) who is (are) exempt from electronic filing.

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Motion to Quash Garnishment and Request for Hearing (*cont'd*)

/s/ _____
Filing Defendant or Attorney

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Telephone number

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

/s/ _____
Second Defendant, if applicable

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Telephone number

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

Form 3.21: Affidavit of Property Exempt from Execution.

In the Iowa District Court for _____ County	
Plaintiff(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name) vs. Defendant(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name)	<p>Affidavit of Property Exempt from Execution (Iowa Code sections 626.50 and 642.15)</p> Small Claim No. _____

1. This is an Affidavit pursuant to Iowa Code sections 626.50 and 642.15 to inform the sheriff and creditors of income and property exempt from execution under Iowa law. **This filing is not an Answer or motion in this proceeding.**

2. The following are my (our) only sources of monthly income and are exempt from execution (check all that apply):

- Social Security \$ _____
- Supplementary Security Income (SSI) \$ _____
- Veterans benefits \$ _____
- Alimony, support, or separate maintenance \$ _____
- Other (any other source of income) \$ _____
- Employment* \$ _____

*Under Iowa law, disposable earnings are exempt if less than \$290/week, \$580/every 2 weeks, or \$1,257/month.

3. I (We) have \$ _____ in cash, checking, and savings. This money is deposits from the sources listed above. If there are deposits from others sources, they total \$1000 or less.

4. I (We) own the following property, which is exempt from execution (check all that apply):

- Homestead;
- Clothing, suitcases, musical instruments, and household goods and furnishings with a total value of \$7,000 or less;
- Books, family Bibles, pictures, portraits, and paintings with a total value of \$1000 or less;
- Burial plots;
- One shotgun and either one rifle or one musket;
- Prescribed health aids;
- A motor vehicle (list year and make), _____, with equity of \$7,000 or less;
- Tools of trade or farm equipment, livestock, and feed with a total value of \$10,000 or less;
- Wedding or engagement rings with a total value of \$5,000 or less, or wedding or engagement rings received at least two years before the date of this Affidavit;
- Other jewelry with a total value of \$2,000 or less;

Affidavit of Property Exempt from Execution (cont'd)

- Cash value of life insurance of \$10,000 or less if spouse, child, or dependent is beneficiary;
- Rental deposits, utility deposits, or rent paid in advance of \$500 or less;
- Qualified retirement funds;
- Cash on hand, bank deposits, other deposits, and other personal property up to \$1,000.

5. I (We) will electronically file this original document using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile>, unless I (we) obtain an exemption from electronic filing requirements from the court. I (We) will provide a copy of this original document to

- The Sheriff of _____ County.

6. If this original document is electronically filed, EDMS will serve copies on the other party(ies) or on the attorney(s) for the other party(ies). The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if I (we) must mail a copy to other party(ies).

I (We) certify, under the penalty of perjury, that I (we) own all of the property listed on this Affidavit and, to the best of my (our) knowledge, it is an accurate listing of my (our) exempt property.

Date: _____

Date: _____

Defendant's signature

Defendant's signature

/s/ _____
Filing Defendant or Attorney

/s/ _____
Second Defendant, if applicable

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Mailing address

Mailing address

Telephone number

Telephone number

Email address

Email address

Additional email address, if applicable

Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.23: Release and Satisfaction of Judgment.

In the Iowa District Court for _____ County

Plaintiff(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name) <p style="text-align: center;">vs.</p> Defendant(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name)	<p style="text-align: center;">Release and Satisfaction of Judgment</p> Small Claim No. _____
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To Judgment Debtor(s):

I (We) knowingly and voluntarily state that the judgment in this matter has been paid off or satisfied in full, including interest and court costs, and I (we) release the Debtor(s) named above from any further obligation on the judgment in this matter.

Note: Failure to satisfy and release a judgment, when paid off or satisfied in full, could result in a penalty of \$400.00 if not filed within **30 days** of written request (Iowa Code section 624.37).

Date: _____	Date: _____
Judgment Creditor's signature (must sign before a Notary) _____ /s/ _____ Judgment Creditor's name	Judgment Creditor's signature (must sign before a Notary) _____ /s/ _____ Judgment Creditor's name
Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable _____	Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable _____
Mailing address _____ _____	Mailing address _____ _____
Email address _____	Email address _____
Additional email address, if applicable _____	Additional email address, if applicable _____

Certification of Acknowledgment (Iowa Code section 624.37):

On this date, _____,
 appeared before me, acknowledged that signing this Release and Satisfaction of Judgment was a
 voluntary and knowing act, and signed the document before me.

Date: _____

 Notary Public or Clerk of Court

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Form 3.24 Reserved.

Form 3.25: Request for General Execution (Praeipce).

In the Iowa District Court for _____ County	
Plaintiff(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Address) _____ (Name) _____ (Address) <div style="text-align: center;">vs.</div> Defendant(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Address) _____ (Name) _____ (Address)	<p style="text-align: center;">Request for General Execution (Praeipce) (Iowa Code section 626.12)</p> Small Claim No. _____

To the Clerk of Court for _____ County: Please issue a writ of General Execution to the Sheriff of _____ County, Iowa, against (list name(s) of judgment debtor(s)) _____ for the balance owing on the judgment in this matter.

Date of Judgment _____	
Original amount of judgment \$ _____	Balance due on judgment \$ _____
Original amount of court costs \$ _____	Balance due on court costs \$ _____
Original amount of attorney fees \$ _____	Balance due on attorney fees \$ _____
Interest accrued to (date) _____	Amount of interest accrued \$ _____
Interest rate per annum: _____%	
Effective from (date) _____	Total amount due \$ _____
	Interest amount per diem \$ _____

I certify under penalty of perjury and pursuant to the laws of the State of Iowa that the preceding is true and correct.

Date: _____

 Judgment Creditor's signature

/s/ _____
 Filing Judgment Creditor or Attorney

 Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

 Mailing address

 Phone #

 Email address

 Additional email address, if applicable

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Form 3.26: Notice of Appeal.

In the Iowa District Court for _____	County _____
Plaintiff(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name) vs. Defendant(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name)	Notice of Appeal Small Claim No. _____

1. I (We) appeal to the district court from the judgment entered on the _____ day of _____, 20_____.
2. I (We) am (are) appealing this decision because:

By checking this box, I (we) request an oral hearing. If my (our) request is granted, I (we) will receive a notice of hearing time and date.

Note: The appealing party(ies) must electronically file this original Notice of Appeal using the Iowa Judicial Branch Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) at <https://www.iowacourts.state.ia.us/EFile>, unless exempted from electronic filing requirements by the court. EDMS will serve a copy of this Notice of Appeal on the other party(ies) or on the attorney(s) for the other party(ies). The Notice of Electronic Filing will indicate if the other party(ies) are exempt from electronic filing, and if the appealing party(ies) must mail a copy of this Notice of Appeal to the other party(ies).

/s/ _____
 Filing Appealing Party or Attorney

 Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

 Mailing address

 Telephone number

 Email address

 Additional email address, if applicable

/s/ _____
 Second Appealing Party, if applicable

 Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

 Mailing address

 Telephone number

 Email address

 Additional email address, if applicable

Form 3.27: Verification of Account, Identification of Judgment Debtor, and Certificate Re Military Service.

In the Iowa District Court for _____	County _____
Plaintiff(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name) vs. Defendant(s) _____ (Name) _____ (Name)	<p>Verification of Account, Identification of Judgment Debtor, and Certificate Re Military Service</p> Small Claim No. _____ For defendant: _____ (This form required for each Defendant.)

1. I, _____, am a party or an employee of Plaintiff(s) whose claim(s) is (are) shown in the attached statement(s). I have personal knowledge that the attached statement(s) is (are) a true copy of the original creditor's records showing the balance due is true and correct. I further state that the sum of \$_____ is the balance due and owing as of _____ from Defendant(s) to Plaintiff(s) and any interest amount owing is accurately stated in the Petition or Original Notice.

2. I further state that Defendant resides at _____, is employed at _____, and Defendant's occupation is _____.

3. Check A, B, or C for Defendant

- A. Defendant **is not** in the military service of the United States government, I have verified this fact by (check one):
- Checking the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) (requires name and SSN or name and date of birth).
 - Contacting Defendant who informed me.
 - Regularly seeing Defendant and believing Defendant is are not active in the U.S. military.

Or B. I have investigated, and I am unable to determine whether or not Defendant is in the military service of the United States government

Or C. Defendant **is** in the military service of the United States government

4. I also state to the best of my knowledge (check one):

- Defendant **is** under a disability or confined in a reformatory, jail, or penitentiary.
- Defendant **is not** under a disability or confined in a reformatory, jail, or penitentiary

I certify under penalty of perjury and pursuant to the laws of the State of Iowa that these facts are true and correct.

Date: _____

Signature of Affiant

Phone number

/s/ _____
Filing Plaintiff or Attorney

Email address

Law firm, or entity for which filing is made, if applicable

Additional email address, if applicable

Mailing Address